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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Tatsuya Yoshikawa et al.

Application No.: 10/052,282

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AND APPARATUS IN A  
DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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